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PROJECT STATUS

Ordinance 2021-13 was adopted by City Council on October 27, 2021.

In order to become effective, the ordinance is awaiting approval from the California Energy Commission. This date is likely to occur in the summer of 2022.

PROJECT BUDGET

\$65,608

PROJECT LOCATION

Citywide

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City of ENCINITAS

Green Building Ordinance

Establish development requirements that support the City's Climate Action Plan





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ABOUT THE PROJECT

To meet the goals of the City's Climate Action Plan (CAP), the development of a comprehensive green building ordinance was initiated in 2019. The green building ordinance (Ordinance 2021-13) includes requirements that align with the following CAP measures:

- BE-1: Adopt a Residential Energy Efficiency Ordinance
- BE-2: Require Decarbonization of New Residential Buildings
- BE-3: Adopt Higher Energy Efficiency Standards for **Commercial Buildings**
- BE-4: Require Decarbonization of New Commercial Buildings
- RE-3: Require Commercial Buildings to Install Solar **Photovoltaic Systems**

Development of the requirements included two public workshops, formation of a stakeholder committee, two public comment periods, and a recommendation from the Environmental Commission for Council approval.

Green Building Ordinance 2021-13 was adopted by City Council on October 27, 2021. The ordinance was considered by City Council during three other public meetings on August 11, September 22, and October 10, 2021. The Ordinance is currently under review by the California Energy Commission and is anticipated to be in effect by summer 2022. More information about the ordinance requirements can be found here.

This project aligns with the environmental focus area of the Encinitas Strategic Plan. This project also supports the City's Climate Action Plan (CAP) by avoiding greenhouse gas emissions through building decarbonization.

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